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## White Democratic Ticket.

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For Marshal: C. F. SCHAD.  
For Tax Collector: JNO. CARY WHITING.  
For Treasurer: WM. G. DAILEY.  
For Aldermen at Large: Precinct 12—CHAS. H. GINGLES.  
Precinct 15—WM. HAYS.  
For Precinct Aldermen: Precinct 12—A. H. DALEMBERT.  
Precinct 13—P. K. YONGE.  
Precinct 14—JAS. McHUGH.  
Precinct 15—W. B. WRIGHT.

## The White Democracy at Last Night's Meeting.

The meeting of Pensacola's White Democracy at armory hall last night was one of those occasions which impress and enthrall all who are present. No similar gathering, probably, has ever been witnessed in the history of Pensacola. No such number of people were ever before crowded into armory hall—and even then there were hundreds who could not gain entrance.

And with all this it was a white crowd. The gathering was enthusiastic, representative, and large. The speakers were gentlemen whom everyone knows and respects, and they spoke with a natural dignity, but with an earnestness and a spirit, that carried conviction in every word and sentence.

It is evident now that the Anti-Primary faction have almost given up hope. The example of last night's meeting has shown them something of the strength and support which is behind the Democratic ticket.

The clean campaign which the Democratic candidates and speakers have been making has shown the public that, so far as the White Primary supporters are concerned, it is a fight for good government, for principle in politics, and for White supremacy.

The prospects for success really never looked brighter than they do for the White Democratic nominees at this time. They were strong before, but last night's meeting made them still stronger and the only question at stake now seems to be the size of their respective majorities on June 6.

Two days ago the Journal requested its contemporary, the Daily News, to answer the simple little question of whether it was or was not in favor of White Primaries for municipal nominations. The question, it will be noted, still remains unanswered.

## Daily News Admits Defeat of Certain Candidates.

A few days ago, in speaking of the last meeting held by the present city council, the Daily News said: "There are five of the councilmen running for re-election, with the chances for the most of them favorable. Therefore the complexion of the board will not be changed a great deal, it is thought."

Inasmuch as three out of these five councilmen are candidates on the White Democratic ticket, two things are quite evident—first, that the News thinks some of its own Anti candidates are going to get defeated; and second, that it has the frankness to say so.

When it gets to a stage where even the mouth-piece and supporter of the Anti-Primary ticket is willing to voluntarily and publicly admit that certain of its candidates for councilmen are going to be defeated, the candidates themselves might as well give up the fight.

It only remains now for the News to name the individual candidates which it had reference to. The candidates

might not like it, but the public would certainly be interested.

The report of Roy's death was premature. He has not met Togo as yet, but his successor is already en route to Vladivostok.

The Anti-White Primary aggression should secure a cyclone cellar so that "bed mattresses" will not be injured by the coming storm.

Next Thursday, June 1, the Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposition at Portland will open. The fair will be open until October 15.

President Harper says the Chicago University is worth \$19,000,000. This statement may have the effect of making John D. a little wary. Possibly "Prexy" spoke up too soon.

Playing shyster politics will be found a very poor policy.—Memphis Commercial Appeal.

Must have been reading reports of the doings of the Anti-White Primary bunch in Pensacola.

Tampa now has a woman attorney in the person of Miss Nellie Cowan, who has just been admitted to the bar there. It's a cold day when Tampa can't head the procession in some way or other.

Allan R. Parish's annual directory for Miami is on The Journal's exchange table. The directory is probably the only one of its kind issued in the country. It is artistically printed and beautifully illustrated—a credit to Miami and its author.

The ambush campaign still goes on and the hirelings who are shooting the mud and slander still remain under cover. They are not really injuring anyone but themselves, but there ought to be some way of forcing them into the open or shutting them up.

We sympathize heartily with our esteemed contemporary, the Daily News. Its lack of editorial enthusiasm for its candidates is almost heart-rending. It is allowing the anonymous hirelings of the Anti-Primary forces to do all the writing and that writing has no effect on intelligent men.

Where vessels, though engaged in interstate commerce, are employed in such commerce wholly within the limits of a state, they are subject to taxation within that state, although they may have been registered or enrolled at a port outside its limits, according to the decision of the supreme court of the United States in the case of The Old Dominion Steamship Company vs. State of Virginia. In this case the federal court of last resort affirmed a decision of the supreme court of appeals of Virginia sustaining a state tax on the vessels of the appellant company.

The czar is the happy recipient of a spiritual message from Admiral Makahoff, who perished on the ill-fated Petropavlovsk at Port Arthur. The admiral is described as standing upon the bridge of his vessel with a halo over his head and the message he sends is, in effect, that Russia will soon be successful in the war and that when Russian arms triumph the Petropavlovsk will, alone, rise to the surface. The latter part of the prediction, however, may approximately come true, Russia will lick the Japs just about the time the sunken war ship rises of its own accord.

Rockefeller's Fine Estate. One of the most magnificent country estates in the world is that owned by William Rockefeller in the Adirondack mountains, New York state, near Malone. Mr. Rockefeller is very jealous of his rights on this estate, and has guarded and defended them so ardently that he is cordially hated by the residents of the section. Lately placards have been nailed to trees on his estate threatening Mr. Rockefeller's life should he visit the place this summer.—Savannah News.

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## MUNICIPAL SOCIALISM IN CITY OF GLASGOW.

New Orleans Times Democrat.

There is no city in the world, perhaps, in which the practice of municipal socialism has been so greatly extended as in Glasgow, Scotland. In that city every public utility has been taken over by the community. It has been charged against this system of socialism that it would naturally lead to corruption in municipal matters, and a recent interview with a Glasgow magistrate, one by the Glasgow Chronicle is of interest in this connection. Redieck Scott, the magistrate in question, declared that there was no such thing as corruption in the municipal affairs of that city. He expressed surprise when asked the question and answered:

"How could there be corruption? I represent a workingman's ward. If I give one of my constituents a cigar or a drink I am by that act disqualified from being a candidate. If a friend of mine lends me his carriage to take voters to the polls that is all very well, but if any friend of mine hires a carriage for the same purpose, the act, even without my knowledge or approval, disqualifies me."

"There is no political corruption in Glasgow. It is not possible under the corrupt practice act, and public opinion would condemn the least sign of it."

"Our theory in Glasgow is that any service that is a monopoly, that serves the public and occupies the public streets, should be owned and administered by the people. Water, gas, trams and the like come under this category. Our trams are the best system in Great Britain, and after paying all operating expenses and every obligation, they net the municipality \$1,000,000 annually."

The fact that Glasgow gets a profit of one million dollars annually from its street railway system, notwithstanding it runs special cars at certain hours in the day to convey workmen to and from their laborers at a one-cent fare, is not the most promising view of the situation as stated by Squire Scott. The important part of his statement refers to the condition of public sentiment in the city. It is that sentiment that keeps corruption away from official life, and it is that sentiment which is unfortunately lacking in the cities of this country.

Occasionally in American cities we have a reform movement, brought about by some abnormal evidence of corruption in municipal affairs, but that movement is usually directed against the particular offense complained of, and expends its force in the correction of the isolated evil. Public sentiment does not carefully guard the welfare of the community as it should, and when corruption becomes so rampant that there is rebellion against it, the process begins anew in a small way and grows steadily until the next revolution comes.

What is needed first in the reform of municipal politics in this country is the creation of a fine public sentiment, which will neither excuse small large offenses. The giving of a cigar to a voter may appear to be a venial offense, at the most, but if permitted it will surely lead to more important bribes which the laws take cognizance of, but not public sentiment. The bribe taker is held in contempt, but the bribe giver is not, his act being considered merely a matter of business. Were such men debauched from holding office the practice would cease, and municipal government would be at once rid of a corrupting influence. But the public sentiment is not here. Only a few weeks ago the voters of a Massachusetts district elected to the legislature a man who was serving a term in jail for a crime against the city in the matter of a civil service examination. There would, perhaps, have been a howl if this man had been admitted to the legislature and had taken a bribe to put through some measure that proved unpopular, and had he done so, would he not have represented his constituents, who knew the sort of man they were electing?

More Laws, More Criminals. Judging by the titles of a number of bills now before the Florida Legislature it is evident that several members of that body believe it is possible to conduct public morality through the medium of the statute book, overlooking the fact that the more laws the more criminals.—Bartow Courier-Informant.

## NEWS AND VIEWS FROM STATE PAPERS.

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## THE LEGISLATURE AND LEGISLATION.

For Revenue Only.

The house of representatives voted a tariff of 10 cents a pound on Egyptian cotton. For revenue only, we suppose.—Gainesville Sun.

## How Knight Would Run It.

P. O. Knight says if he were running the state legislature, he would, for the first two weeks of the session, confine the daily proceedings in each house to opening with prayer and reading the constitution. Then there wouldn't be time for so many bad bills to be introduced and held over the heads of the innocent and long suffering people.—Tampa Tribune.

## Two Laws Objected To.

The legislature would do well to repeal two idiotic school laws. One is requiring the school board to file a monthly financial statement with the clerk of the court, and the other is requiring the board to file a list of persons who have paid their poll taxes every month with the state superintendent. The uselessness of the first will be recognized when it is known that the county superintendent's records are as public and as subject to inspection as those of the county clerk. The second has absolutely no justification for existence, as these lists cannot be made to serve any useful purpose. Unless the lists prove valuable to the state superintendent, all the trouble and expense of compiling them are worthless.—Brooksville Argus.

## Importance of Crill's Bill.

It is to be greatly regretted that the same interests that defeated the bill providing for a geologic survey at the session of 1903, were again successful in the present legislature, so that Senator Crill's bill, which passed the senate with but one negative vote, was defeated in the house. There is no single measure hardly of as much importance to the prospects of the state as this, and it is strange that purely selfish interests should be allowed to defeat it. It is a measure that must soon be passed because of its necessity, for there is no other way by which the resources of the state can be fully known. As it is now, anything like an accurate knowledge of the resources of any part of the state has been largely accidental. If the state could today an accurate geologic survey it would be worth millions to its citizens. The prospective immigrant would know to a certainty the value of the land he was purchasing, while the knowledge of the value and extent of its mineral resources would be within the reach of everyone. Florida cannot afford to be so far behind her sister states in some of these things, and it is a mistaken economy that fails to provide for the necessary expenditure.—Observer in St. Augustine Record.

## Amendments of Primary Law.

It is to be hoped that the legislature will not adjourn without being quite sure that the primary election law has been so amended as to forever preclude the possibility of a recurrence of the experiences of last year's primary, when crookedness of all kinds was freely practiced for the sake of factional success, as well as to gratify personal greed for office.—Tallahassee True Democrat.

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For Mayor. I hereby announce my candidacy for Mayor of Pensacola. The vote of every citizen will be appreciated at the city election, June 6.  
CHARLES H. WELLS.

FOR MAYOR. I announce myself as a candidate for office of Mayor, at election to be held June 6th.  
RIX M. ROBINSON.

FOR MAYOR. The friends of C. L. Shine announce him as a candidate for mayor at the city election June 6, and they ask the support of all voters on that date.

FOR CITY TAX COLLECTOR. I hereby announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of tax collector of the city of Pensacola and ask the support of all voters at the city election.

FOR CITY TREASURER. I hereby announce myself a candidate for City Treasurer, in the city election of June 6, 1905.  
MANSFIELD MORENO.

For City Marshal. I hereby announce that I am a candidate for City Marshal at the election to be held June 6, 1905. I respectfully ask the support of all voters.

For City Treasurer. I hereby announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of City Treasurer and ask the support of all voters at the city election to be held June 6th.

FOR FIRE CHIEF. I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Chief of the Fire Department, election June 6, 1905, and respectfully solicit the support of all my friends.

FOR FIRE CHIEF. I hereby announce myself as a candidate for chief of the fire department, and will appreciate the support of the voters in the election of June 6, 1905.  
JAS. C. CLARKE.

FOR FIRE CHIEF. I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Chief of the Fire Department, election June 6, 1905, and respectfully solicit the support of all my friends.

FOR ALDERMAN, PRECINCT 13. I hereby announce that I will be a candidate for re-election to the office of precinct alderman from Precinct No. 13 at the city election in June, and ask the suffrage of the voters.

For Alderman, Precinct 12. I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election as alderman at large from Precinct No. 12, at the city election to be held in June, and ask the support of the voters in the city.

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